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# Fission yield measurements at IGISOL

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Outline  
Motivation  
The ion guide technique  
Preliminary results & Outlook



# Motivation

- Reactor applications
  - High quality data on independent fission yields
    - will **decrease the uncertainty** about (spent) fuel composition
    - are relevant for **safety** measures
    - provide information on **core poisoning**
    - improve **burn-up** predictions
- Nuclear theory
  - Nuclear structure models
  - Fission models
- Supernova nucleosynthesis
  - The r-process is believed to be terminated by fission of very neutron rich systems
  - Simulations of this process require accurately known fission yields.

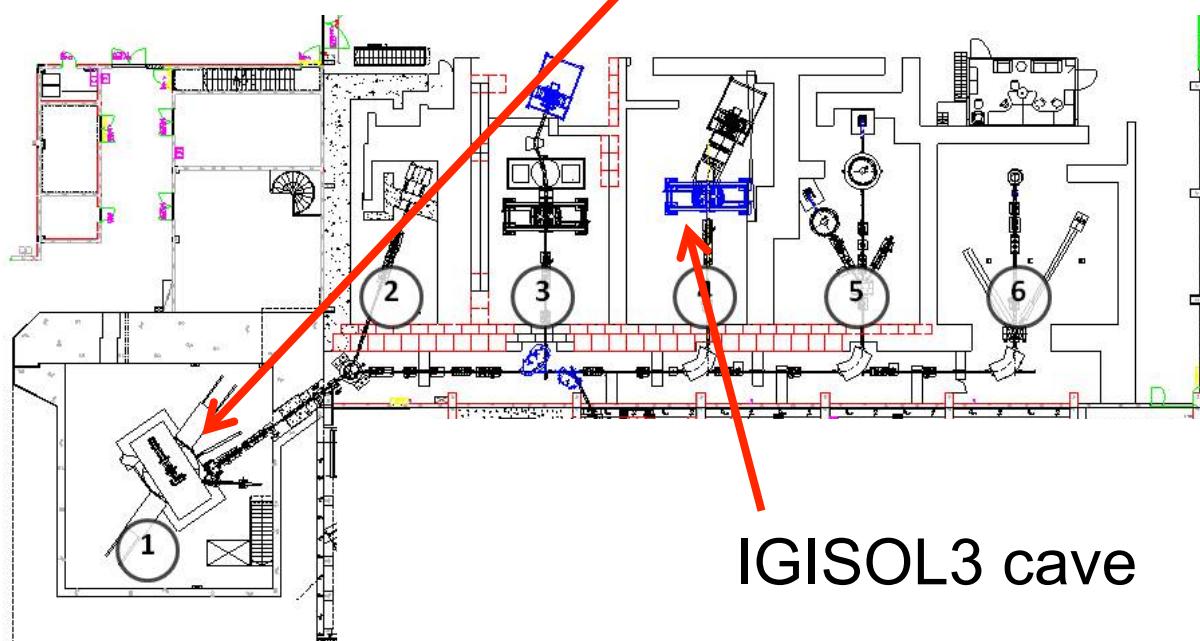


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# JYFL 2010

## Cyclotron K-130

Heavy ion accelerator  
Up to 130 MeV



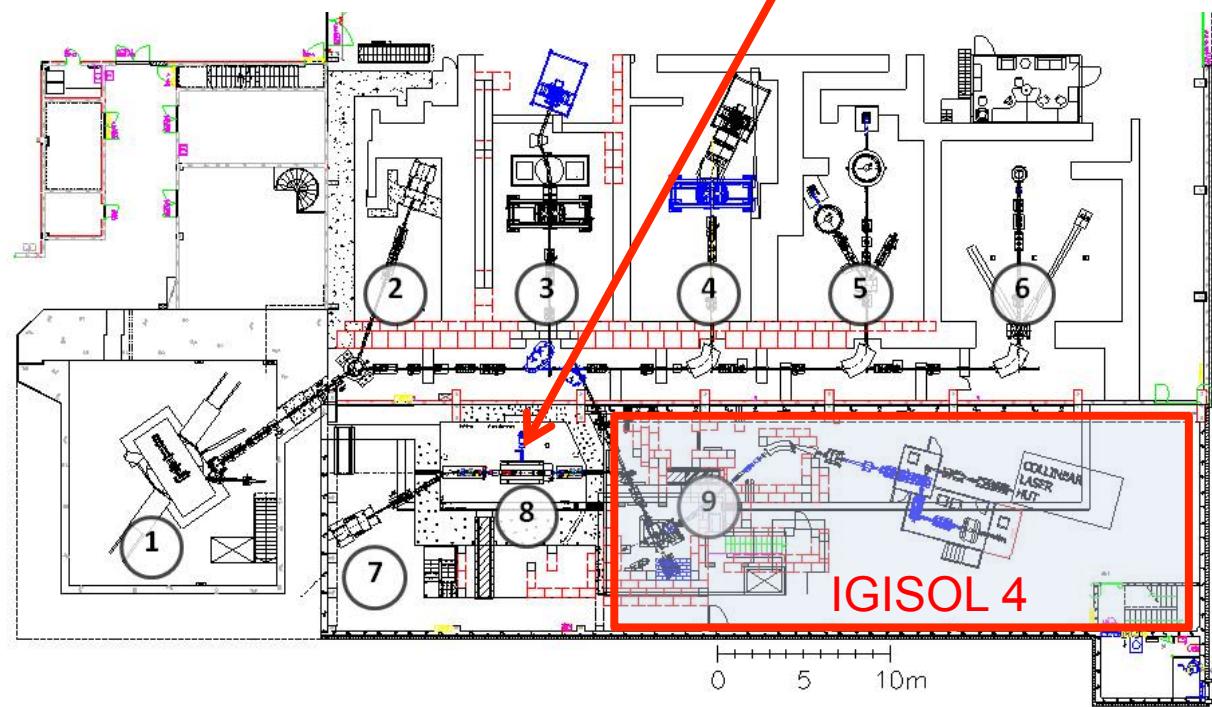
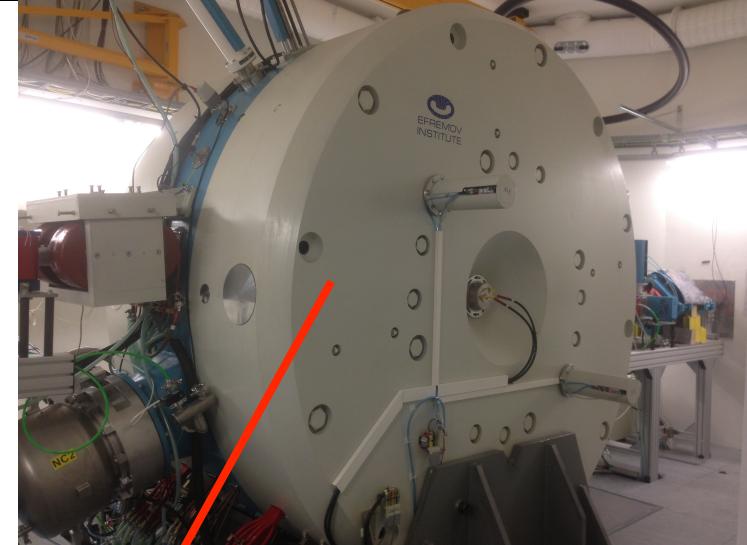


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## Cyclotron MCC30/15

Protons and deuterons  
Up to 30 MeV and 200 uA





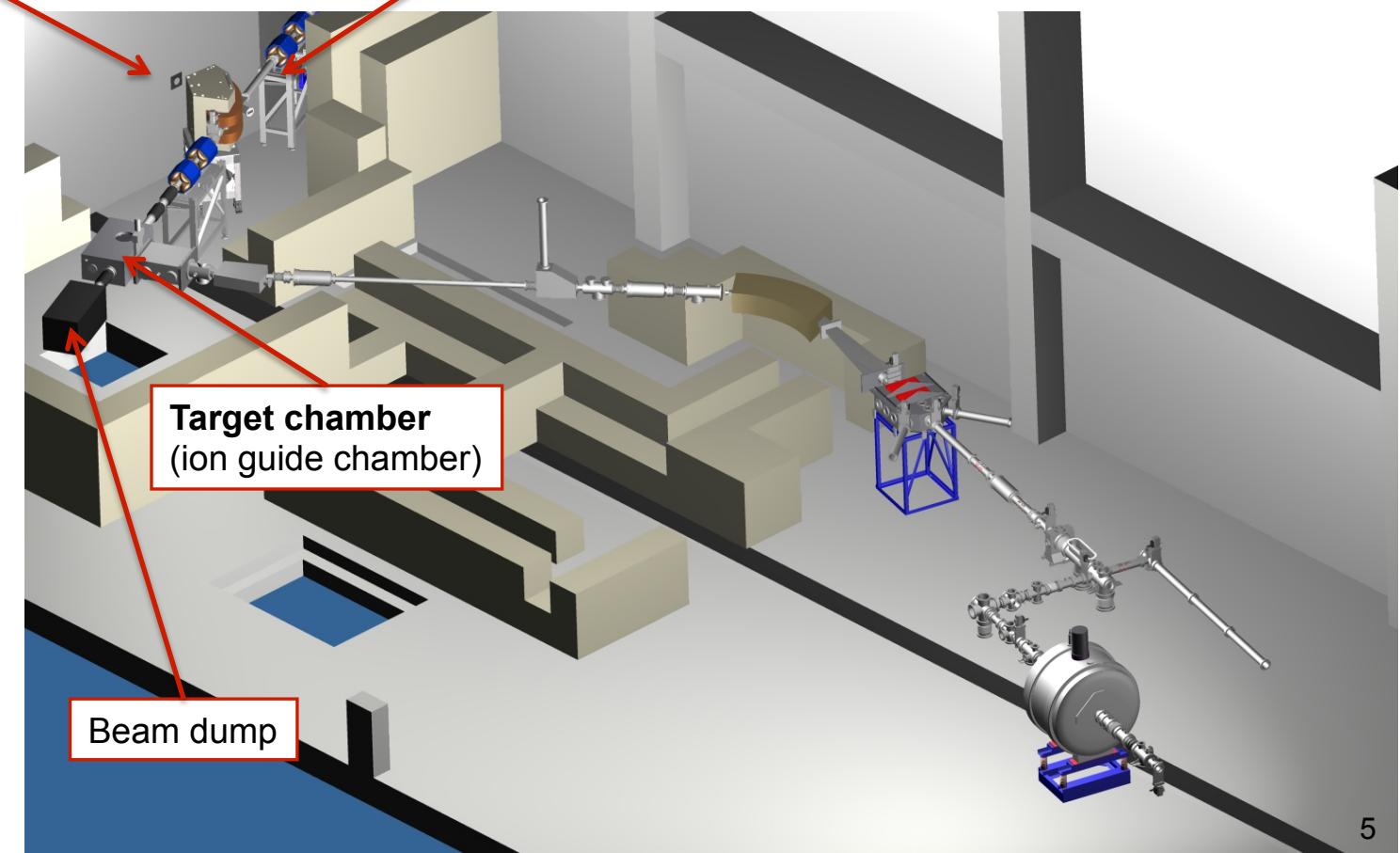
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D: 9 – 15 MeV @ 50  $\mu\text{A}$

**K130 Cyclotron**

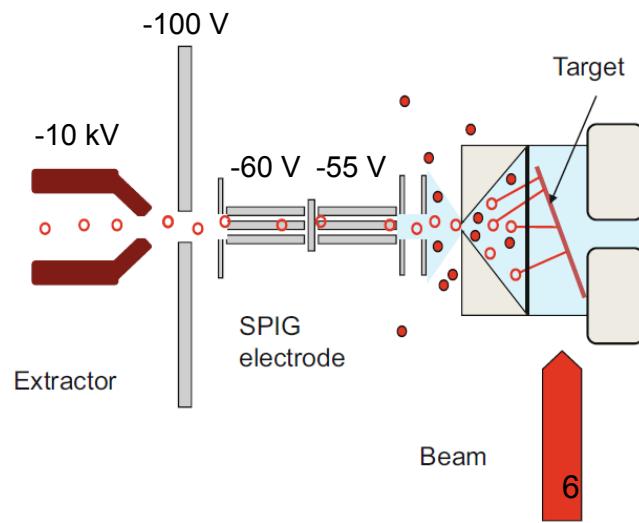
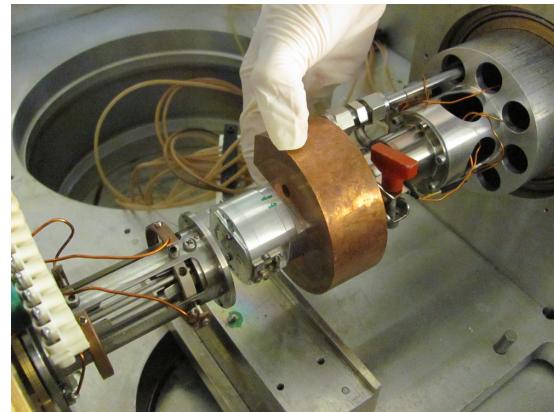
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# Target chamber and ion guide

- **Helium gas jet**
  - Stops fragments
  - Fragments recombine to singly charged ions
  - Guides fragments to the SPIG
  - Timescale in ms
- **SPIG**
  - Sextupole ion guide
  - Centers products on axis
  - Accelerates by static potentials
- **Extractor**
  - Accelerates products in steps to up 30 kV





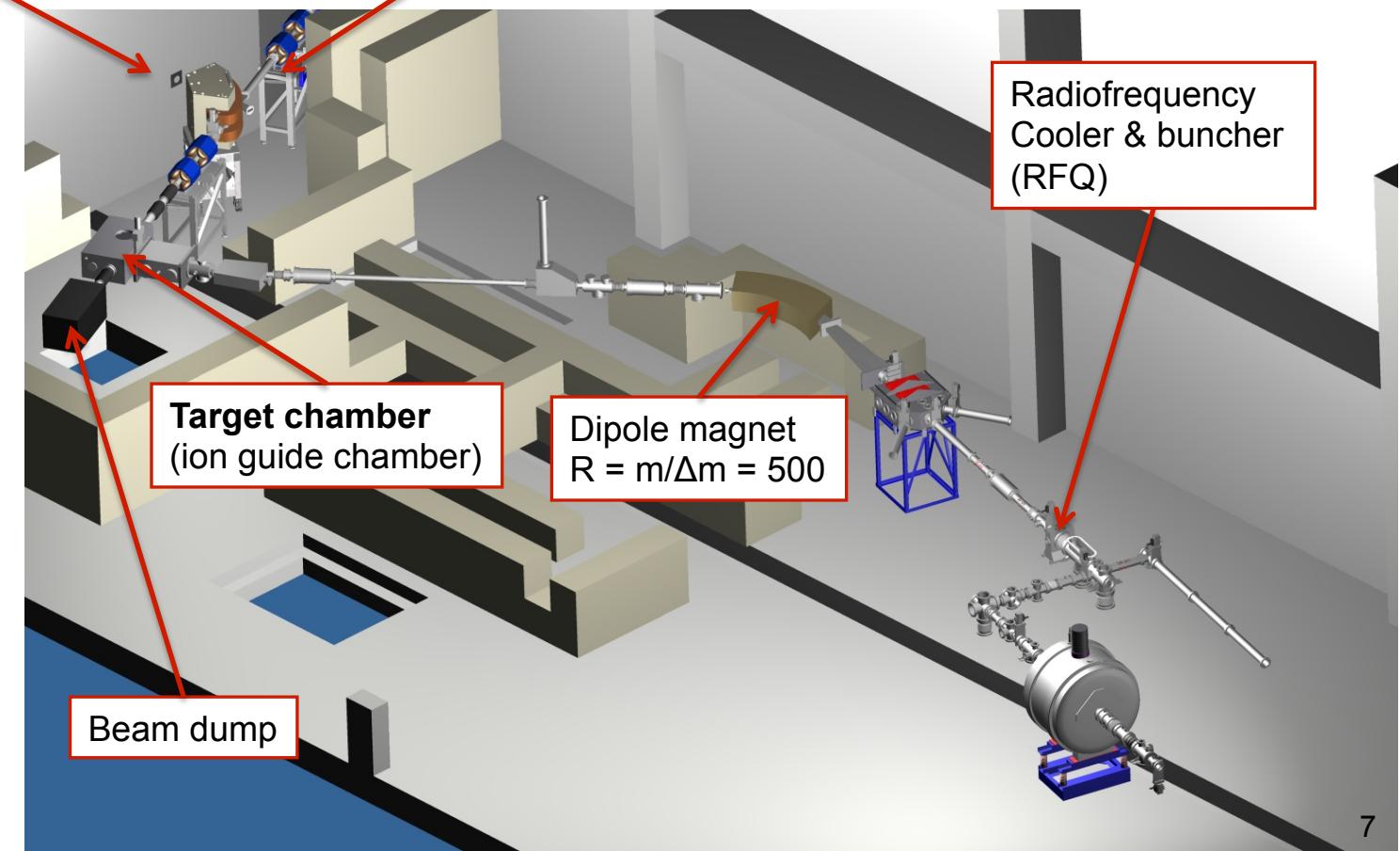
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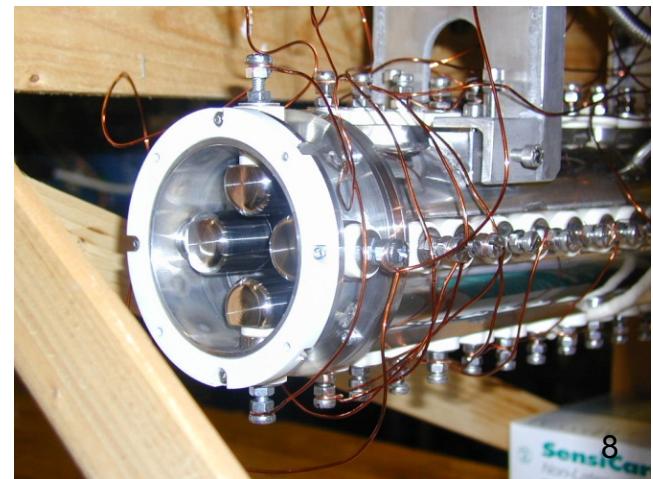
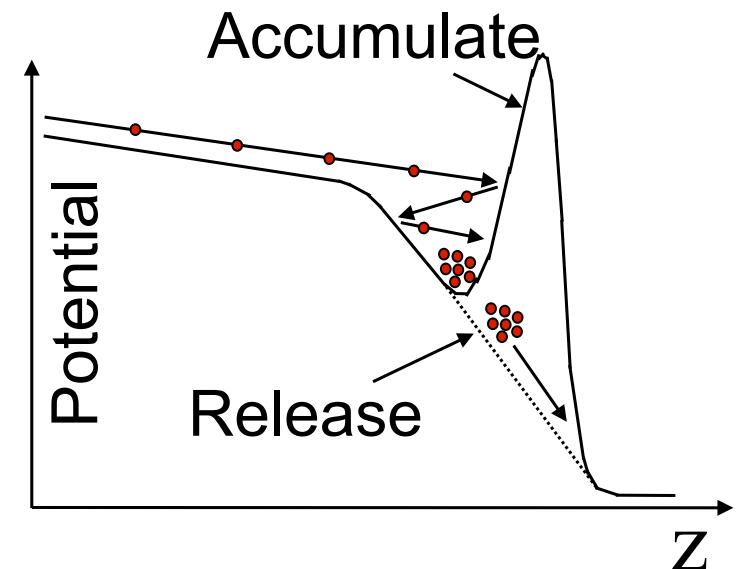
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# RFQ cooler and buncher

- Radial confinement by high frequency quadrupole field
- Axial confinement by static electric potentials
- Gas filled
  - Energy loss in ion-atom collisions
- Cooler and buncher
  - Accumulate for ~100ms
  - Bunch length < 15 ms
  - Thousands of ions per bunch
  - Energy spread < 1 eV

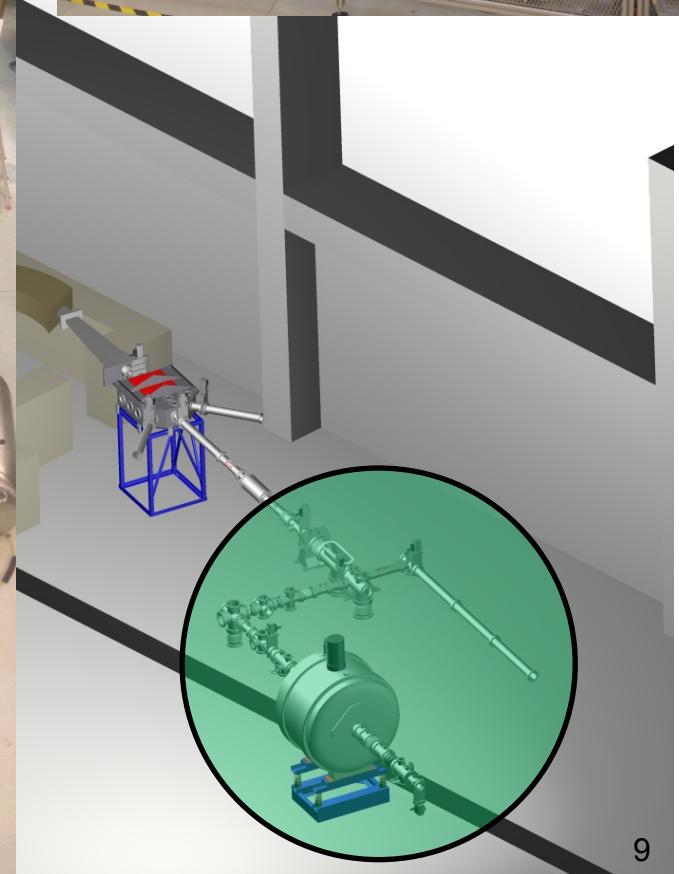
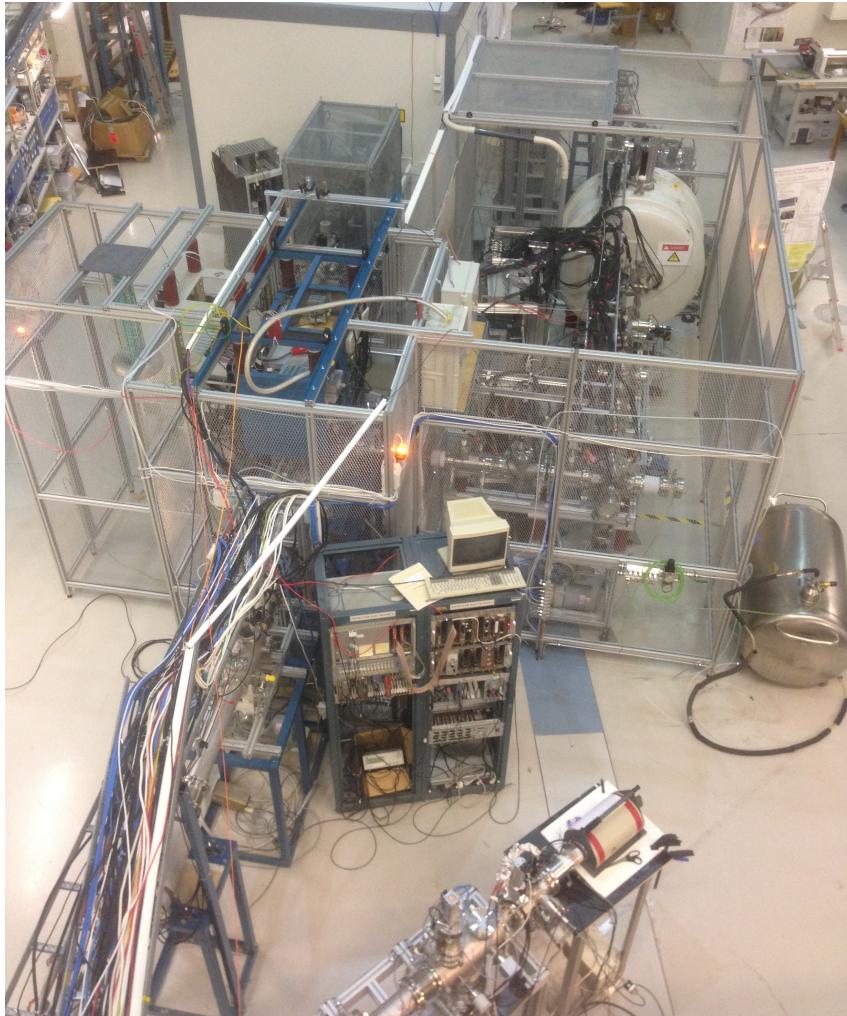




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## 7 T superconducting magnet

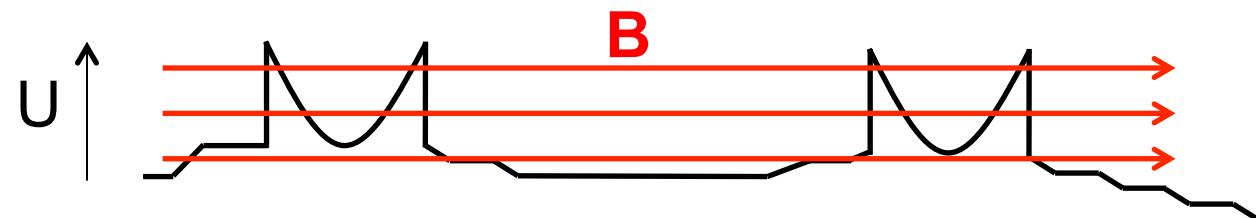
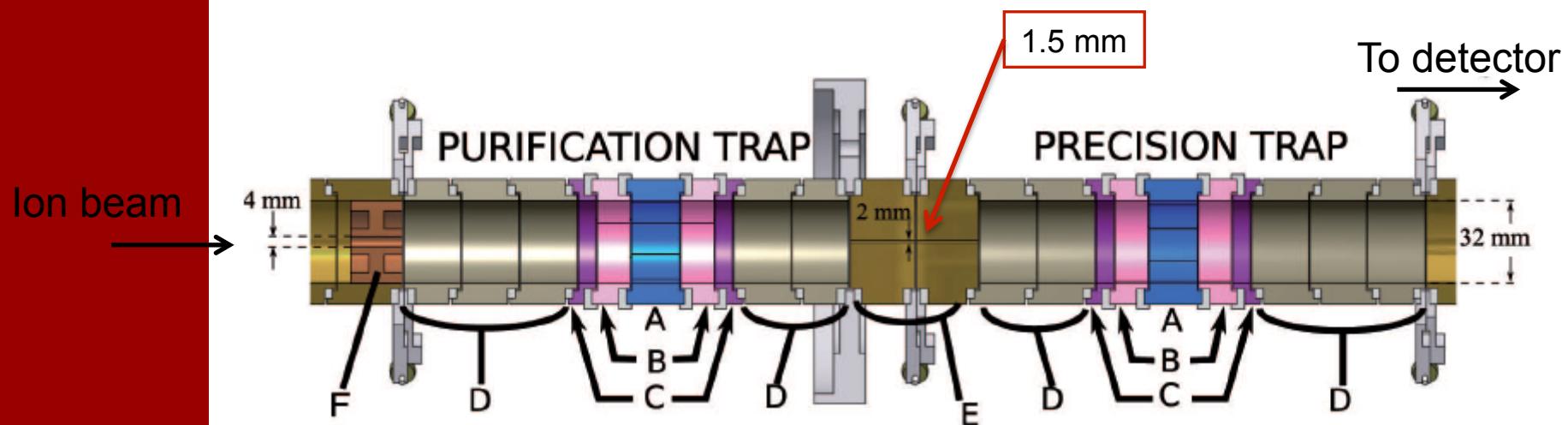




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## Double cylindrical trap





# Motions in the trap

## ➤ Axial motion:

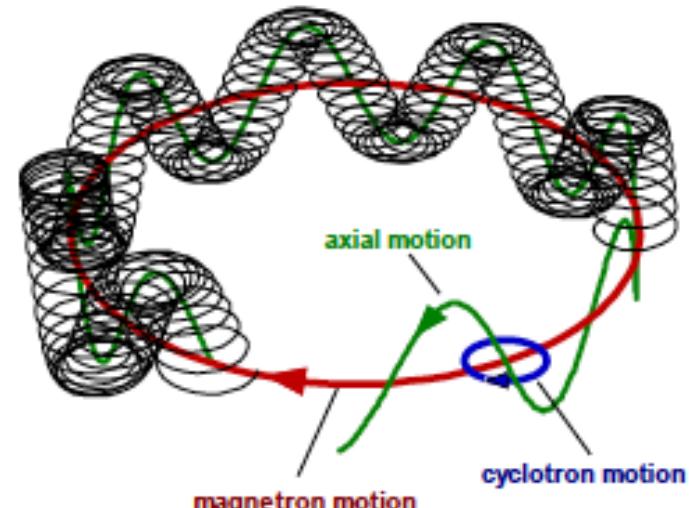
- oscillation in electrostatic potential
- $v_z = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{2qV}{md^2}} \approx 100 \text{ kHz}$

## ➤ Magnetron motion:

- $E \times B$  drift
- Mass independent
- $v_- = \frac{1}{2} \left( v_c - \sqrt{v_c^2 - v_z^2} \right) \approx 1 \text{ kHz}$

## ➤ Reduced cyclotron motion:

- Oscillation in B-field
- Perturbed by electric field
- Mass dependent
- $v_+ = \frac{1}{2} \left( v_c + \sqrt{v_c^2 - v_z^2} \right) \approx 1 \text{ MHz}$



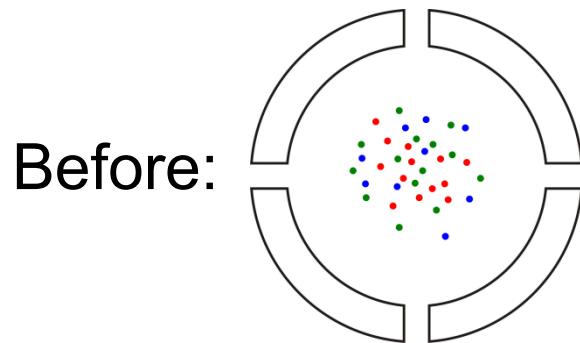
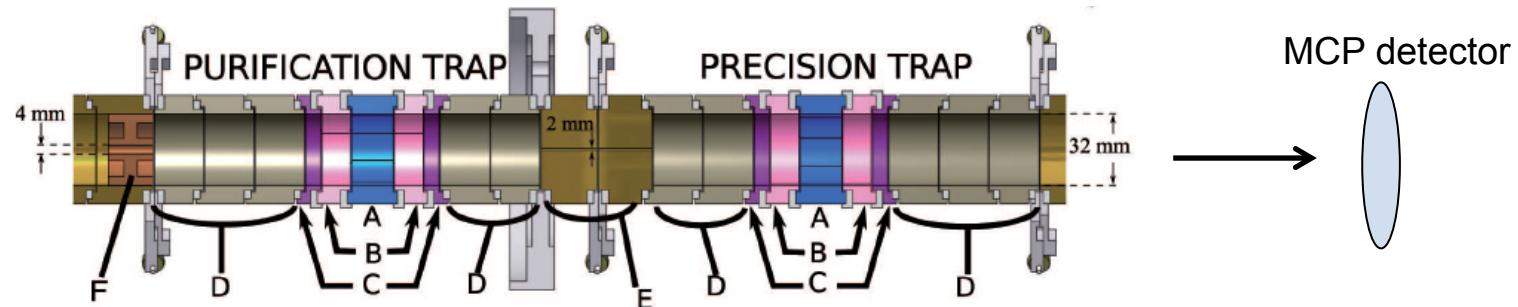
$$v_c \approx v_s = v_+ + v_-$$



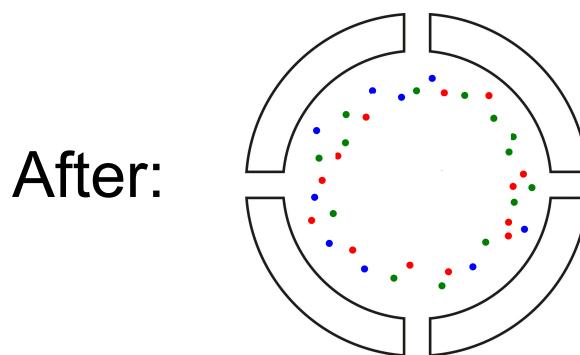
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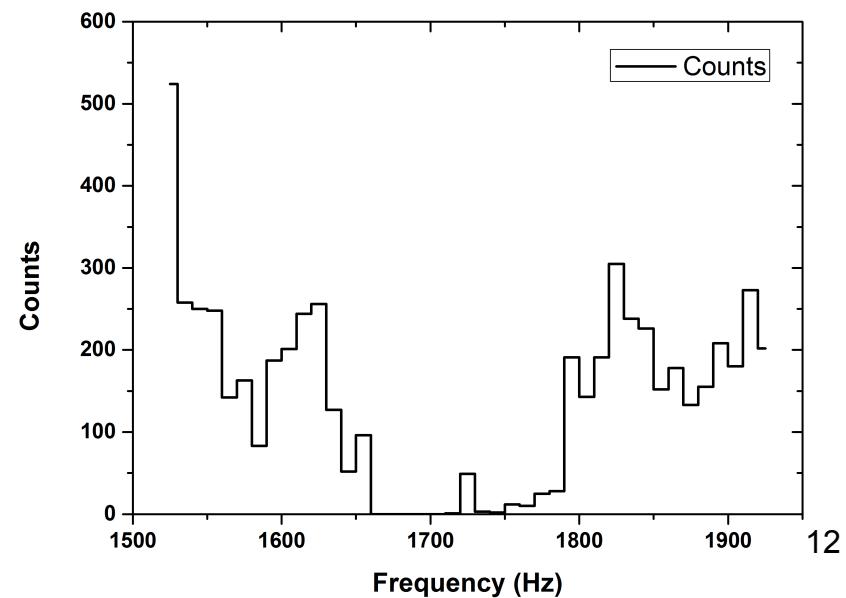
Dipole magnetron excitation



Before:



After:

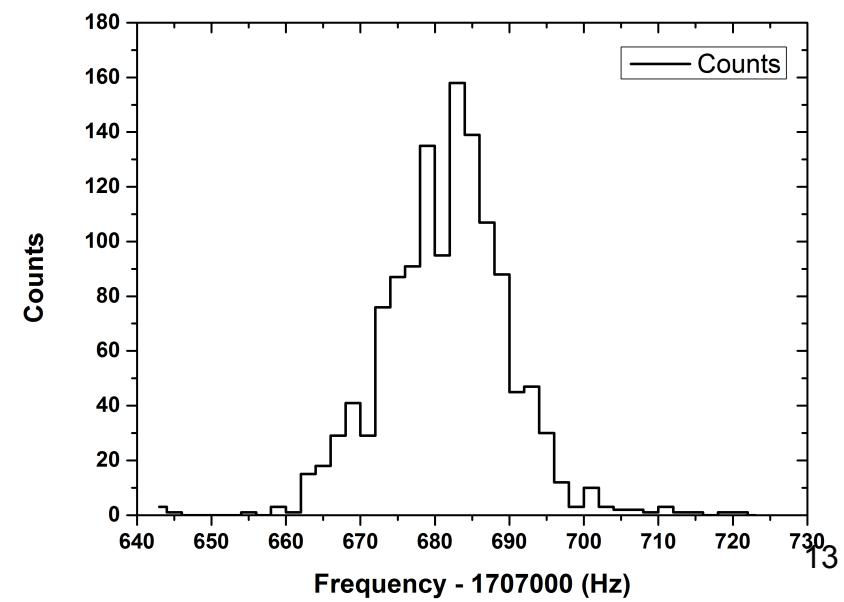
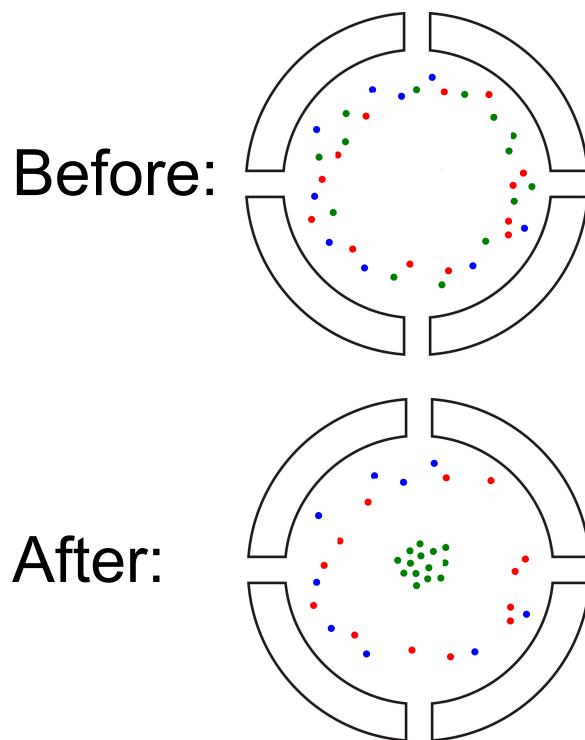
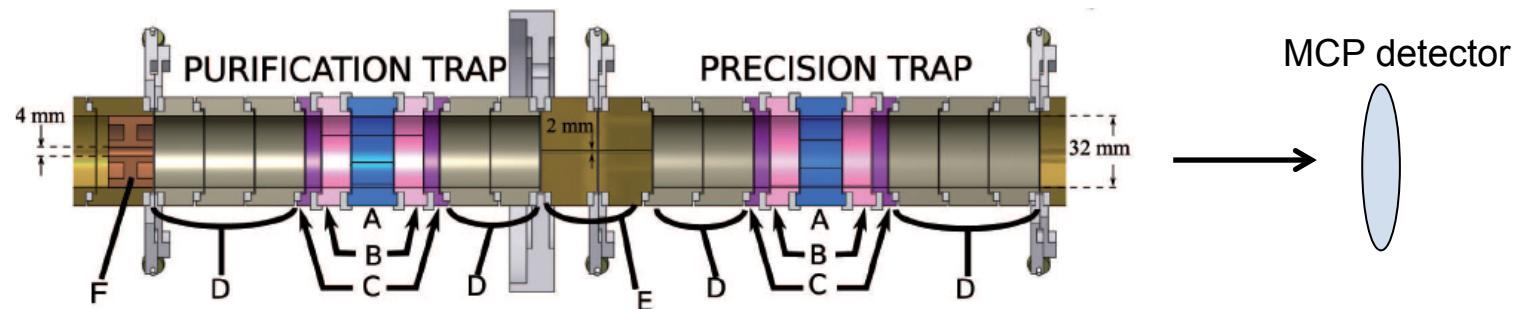




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Mass sensitive re-centering with quadrupole excitation

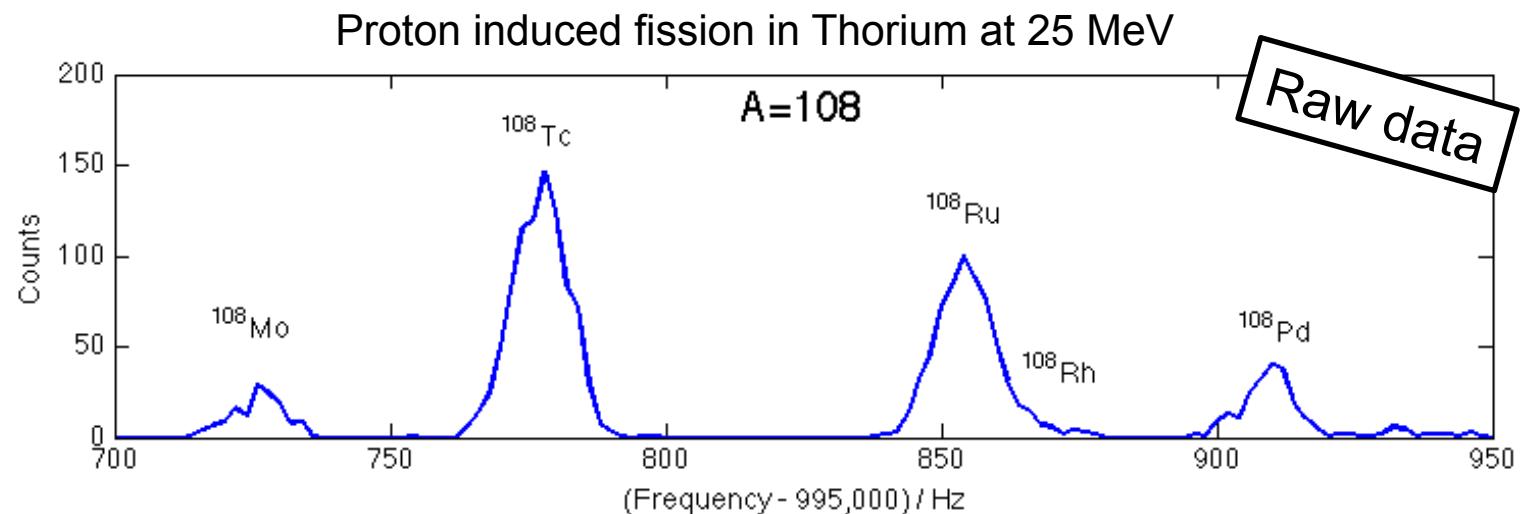




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## Mass scan

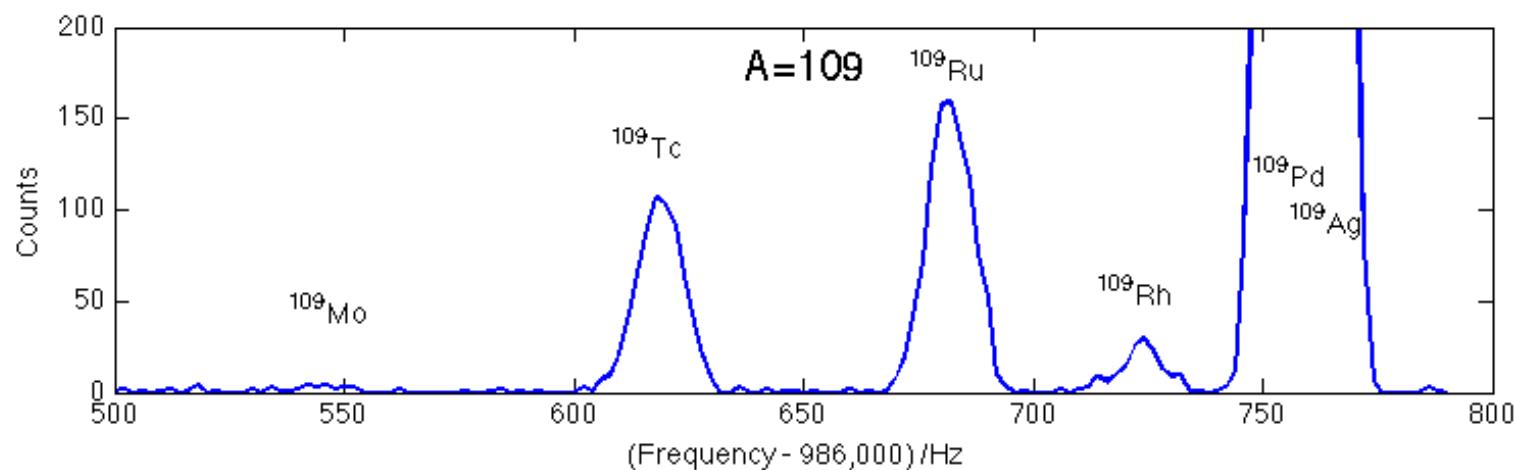
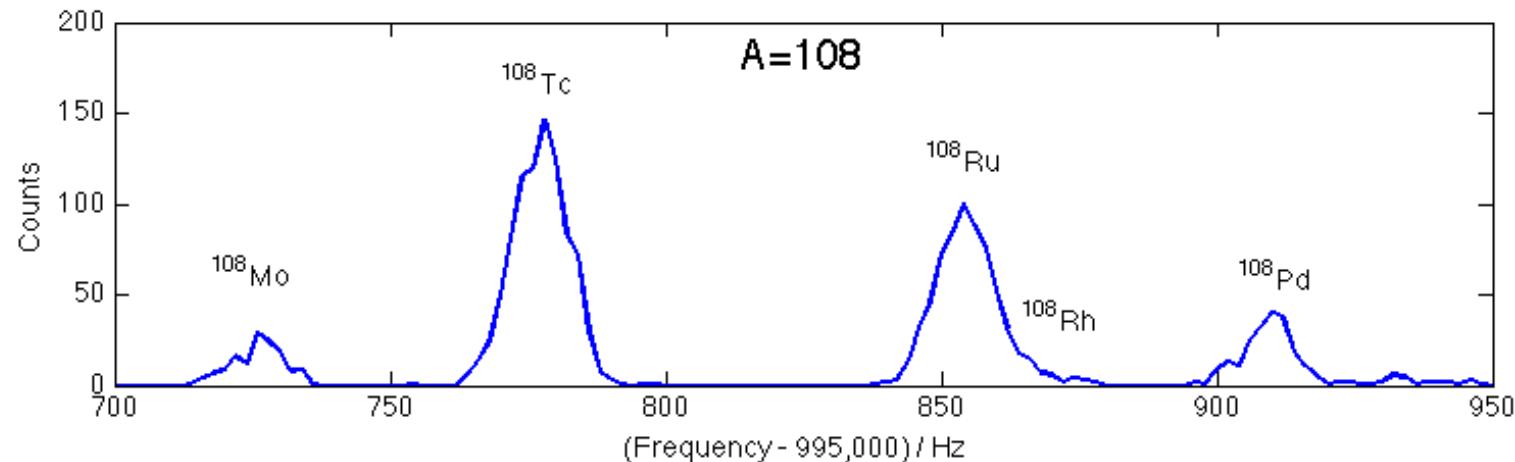




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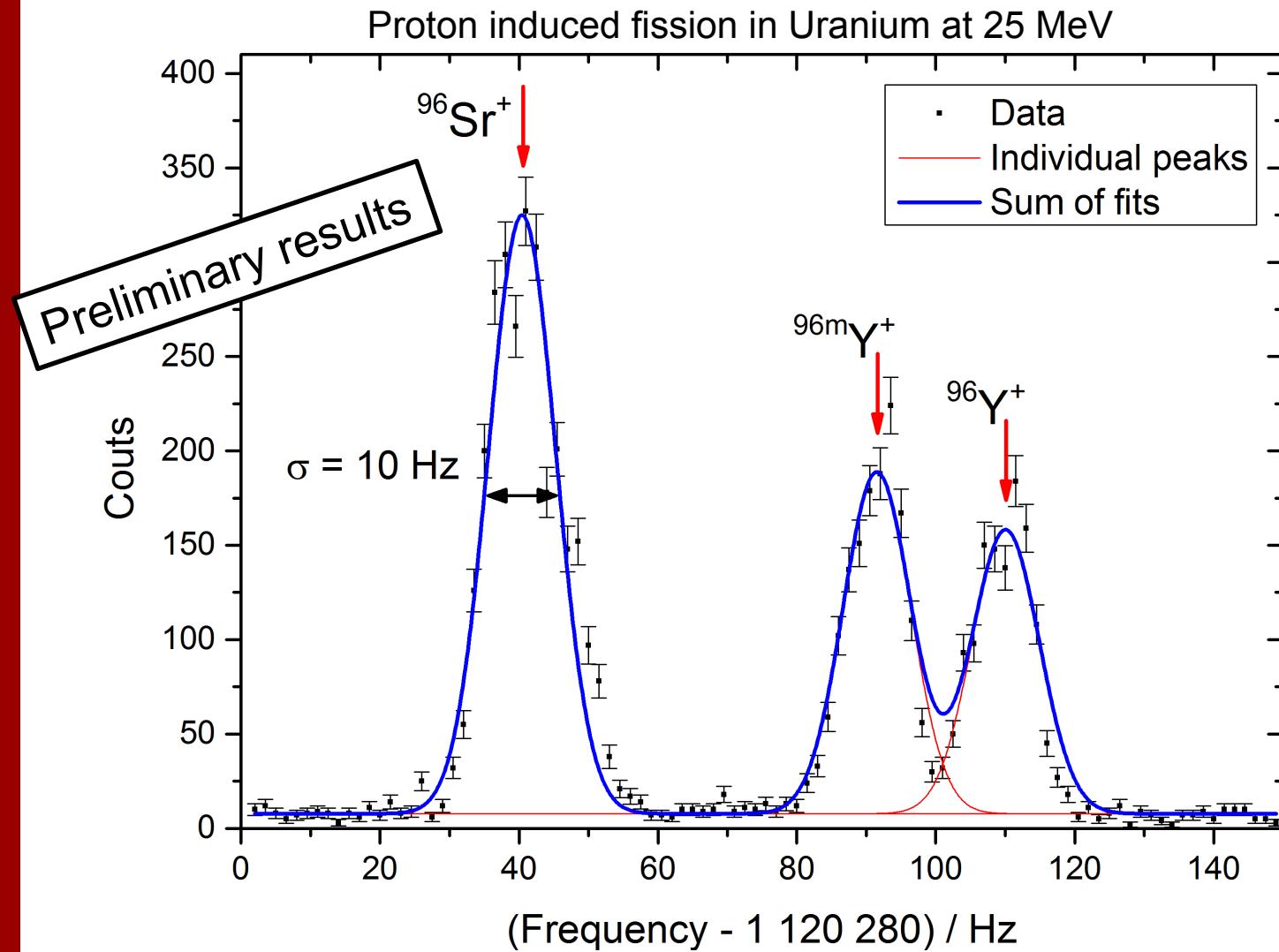
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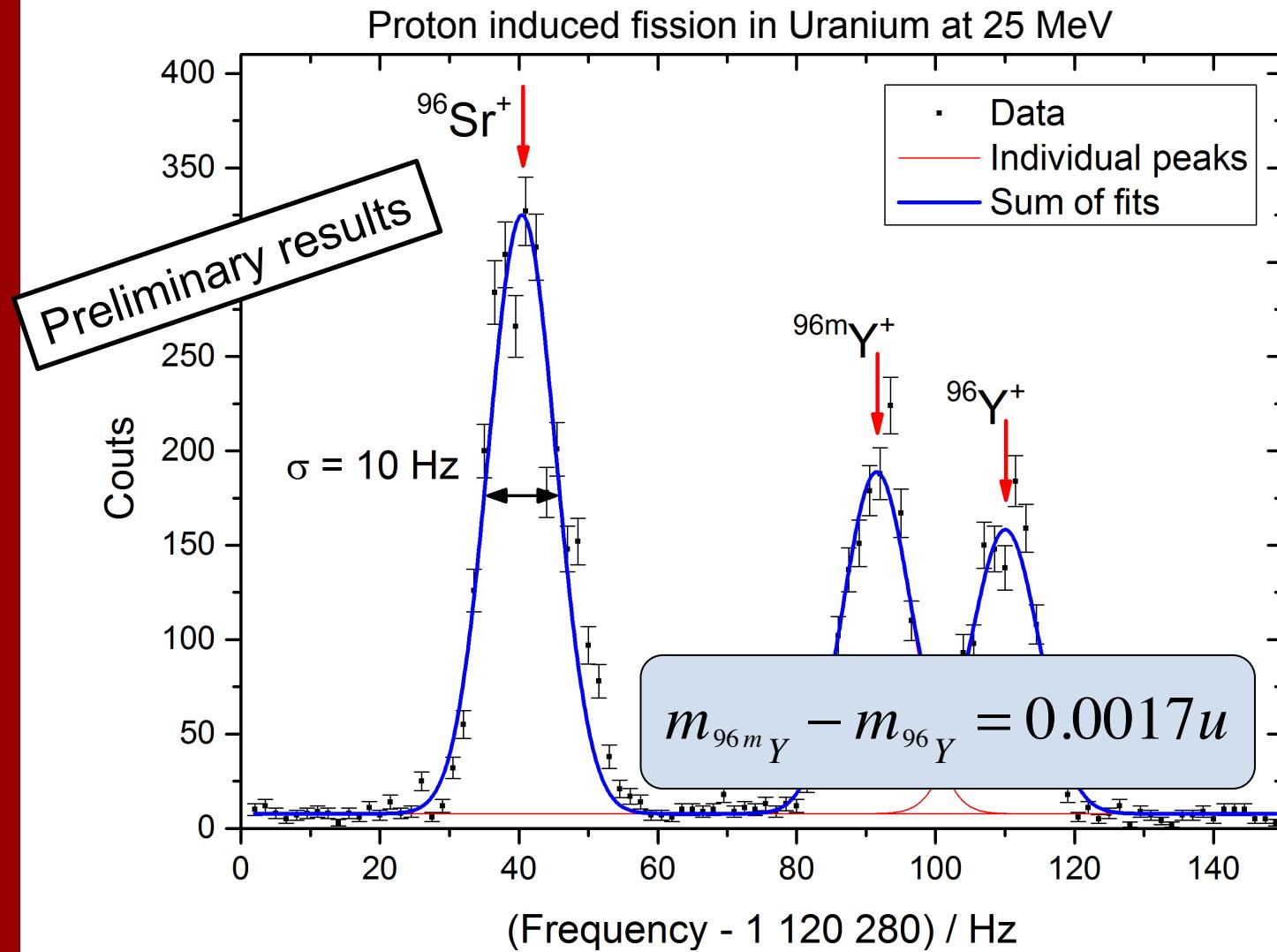
## Isomeric yield ratios





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## Separation of isomers





# Preliminary results

## Isomeric yield ratios of proton induced fission

		$^{81}\text{Ge}$	$^{96}\text{Y}$	$^{97}\text{Y}$	$^{97}\text{Nb}$	$^{128}\text{Sn}$	$^{130}\text{Sn}$
p+Th (25 MeV)	2010	0.07(1)	1.45(6)	2.58(28)			
	2014	0.07(2)	1.51(9)	2.81(18)		0.82(8)	0.63(18)
p+ <sup>nat</sup> U (25 MeV)	2013 (jun)	0.06(5)	1.09(11)				0.39(27)
	2013 (aug)	0.09(5)	1.25(22)	1.85(23)	0.20(60)		
	2014	0.58(27)				0.90(12)	0.66(38)

Courtesy of Dmitry Gorlev



# Current projects and future plans

- New measurement with TFBCs
  - Characterization of neutron field
  - TFBCs as online neutron monitors?
- Development of a ion guide for neutron induced fission
- Independent yield measurements of neutron induced fission in  $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $^{232}\text{Th}$ ,  $^{235}\text{U}$ , ...

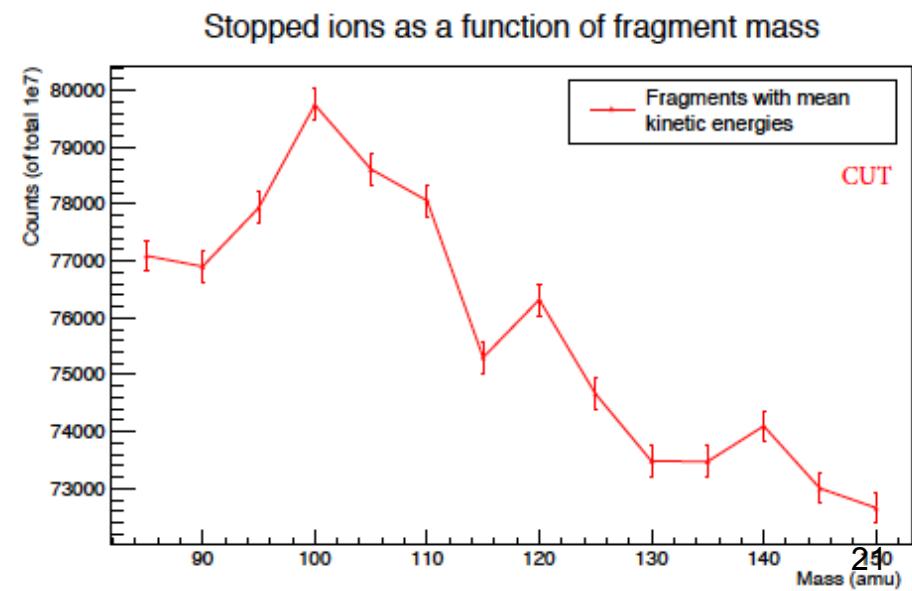
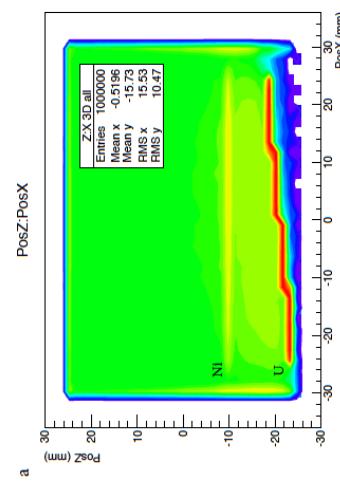
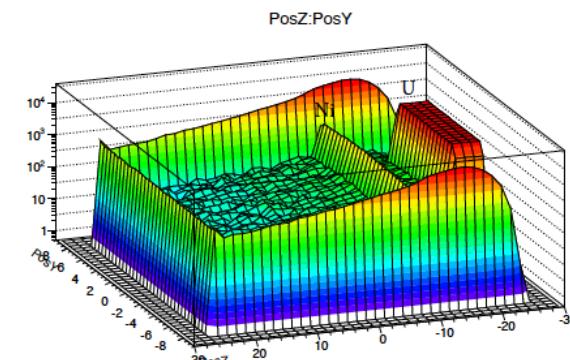
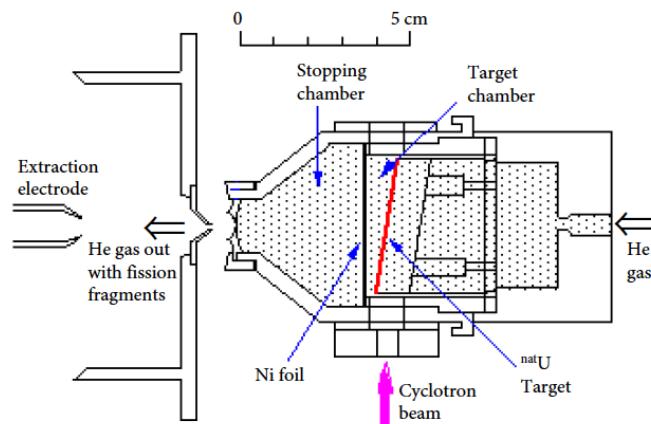
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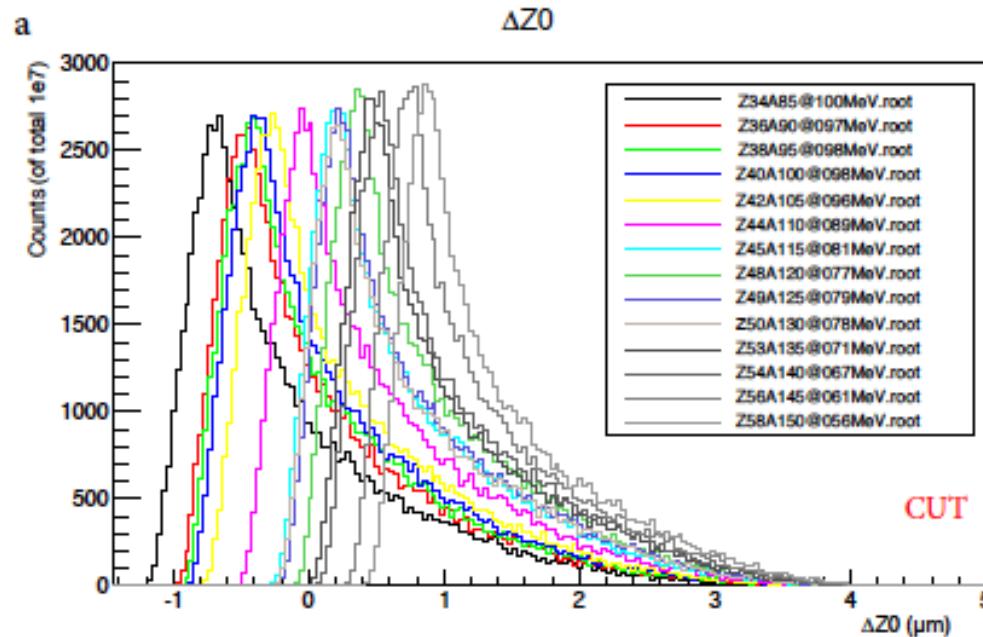
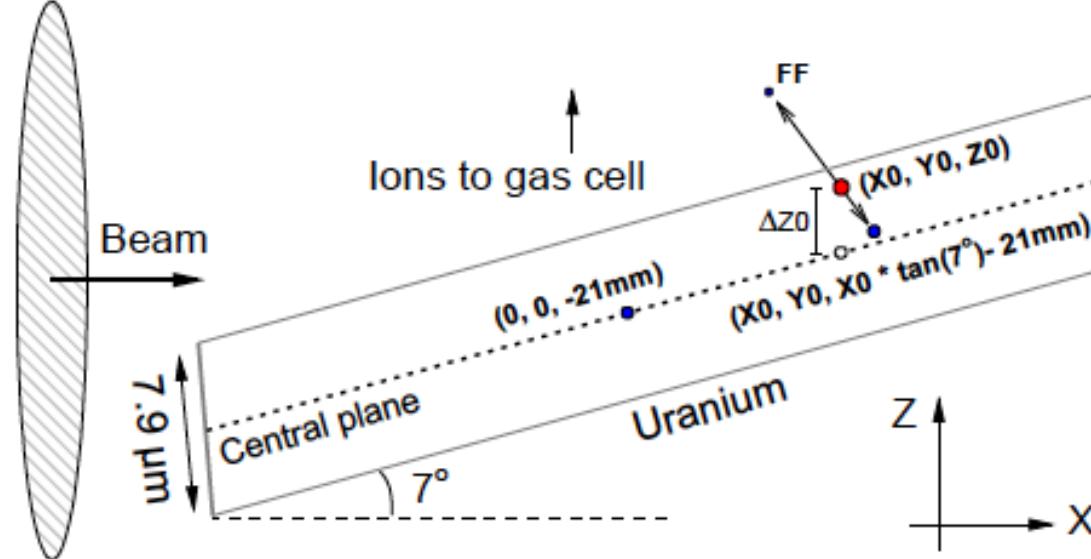
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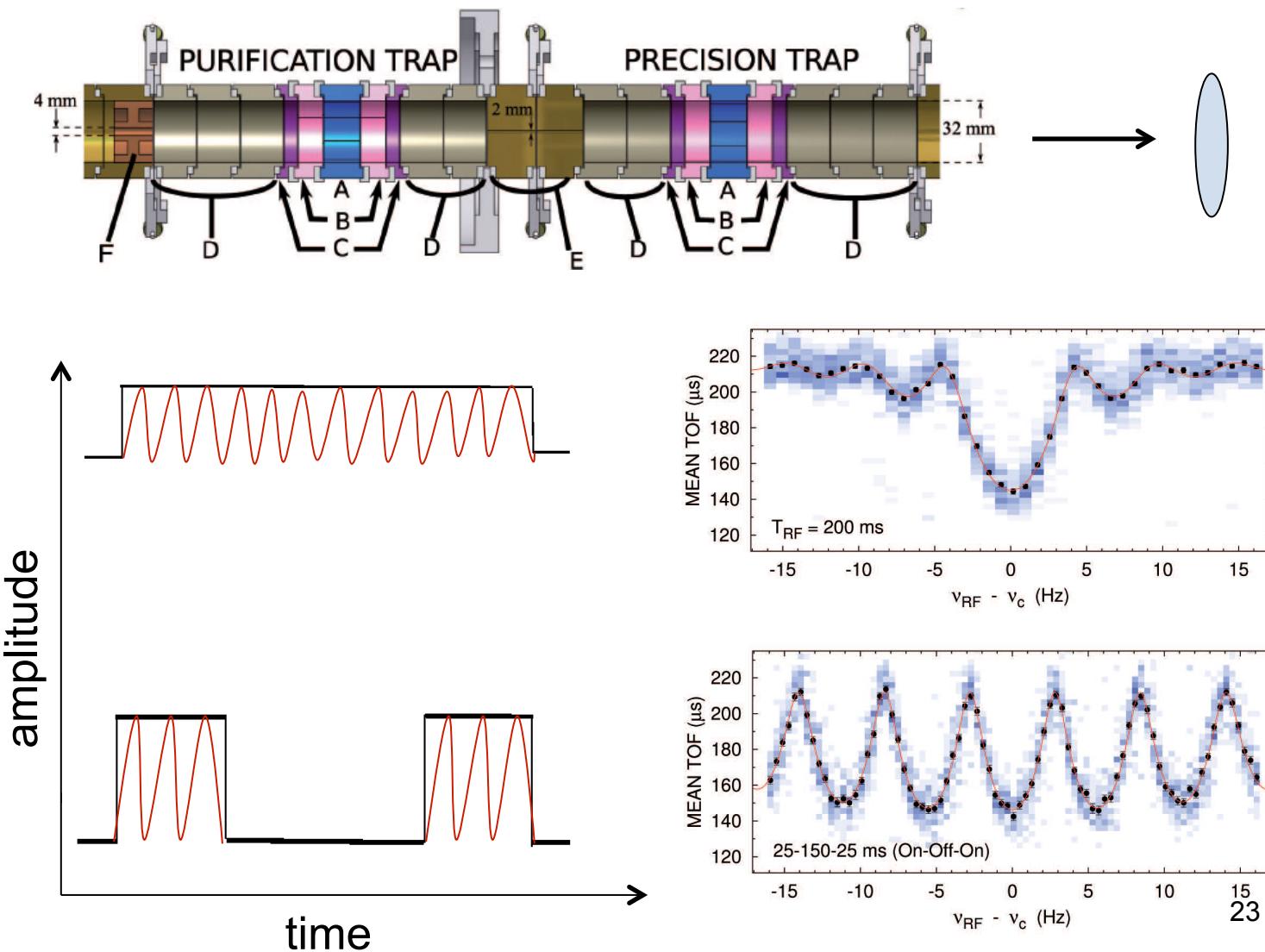






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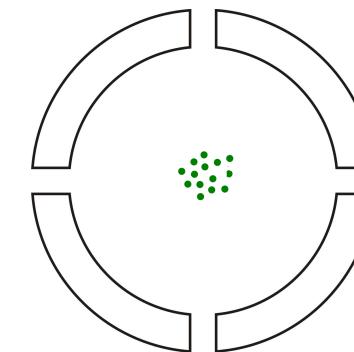
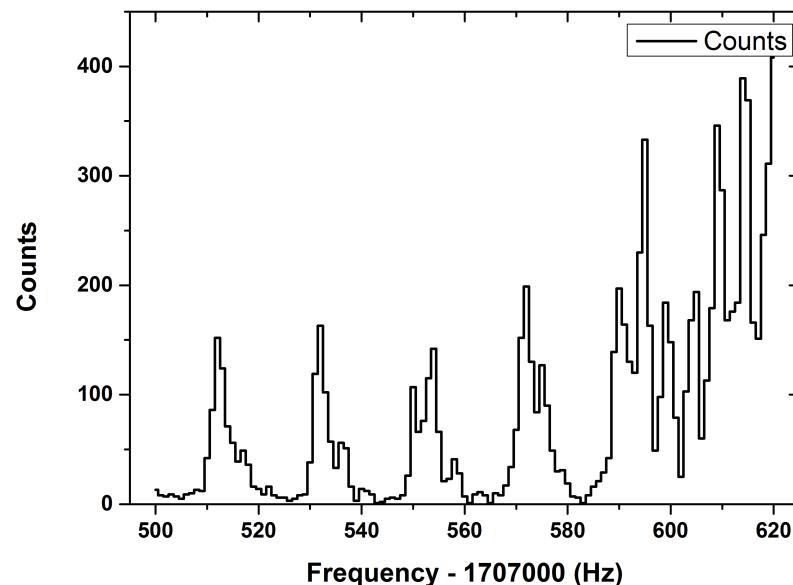
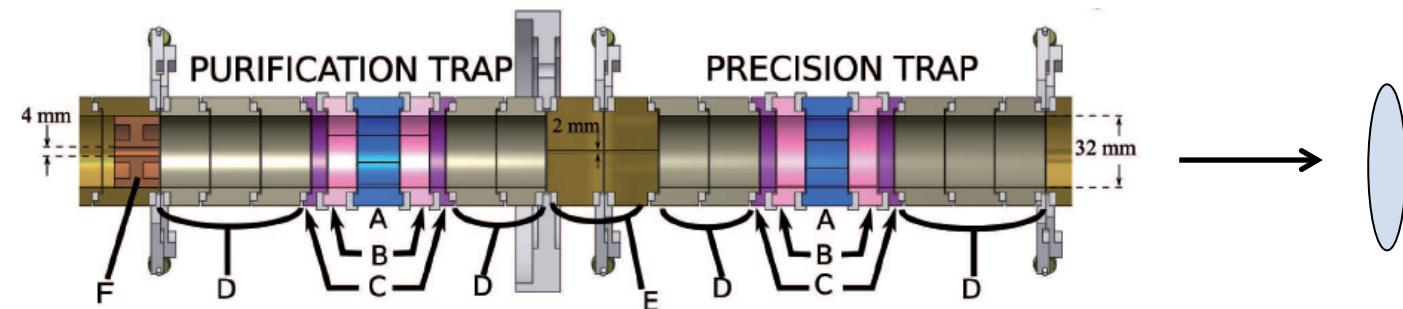
## Ramsey excitation





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## Ramsey cleaning



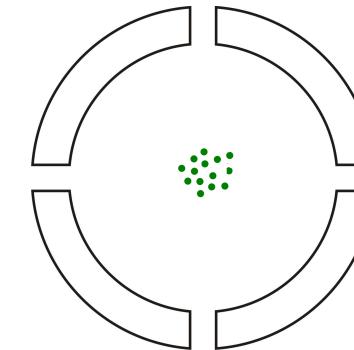
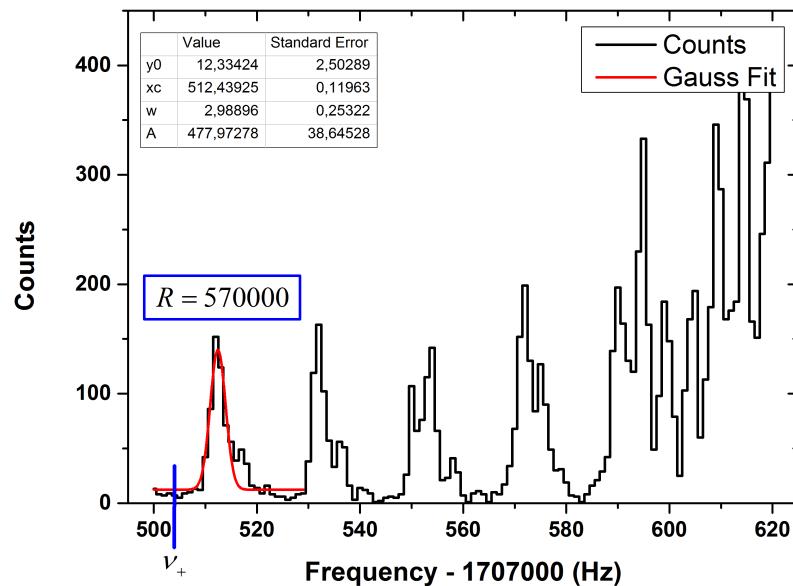
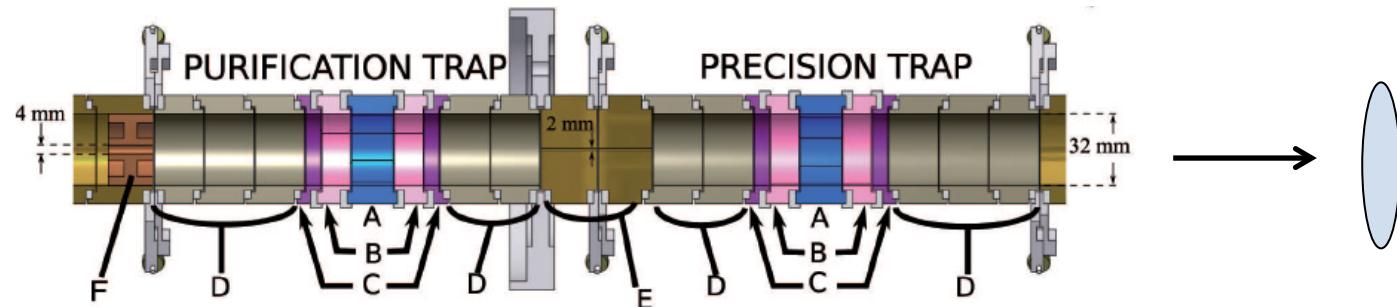
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Ramsey dipole excitation  
at reduced cyclotron  
frequency!



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## Ramsey cleaning



MOVIE

Back to purification trap,  
re-center and extract.



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## Ramsey cleaning

